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### **JIM McCANN NAMED PRESIDENT AND COO OF COLUMBIANA HI TECH**

**KERNERSVILLE, N.C., January 16, 2017** – Jim McCann has been named President and COO of Columbiana Hi Tech (CHT), a Kernersville headquartered manufacturer for the nuclear industry. McCann comes to CHT from AREVA NP, also a provider of a wide range of custom fabricated products and equipment for the nuclear industry. His broad experience results from having spent more than 25 years in a variety of roles including engineering, business development, and project management and as a business line manager at AREVA.

Primarily based in Lynchburg, VA., McCann also spent a year on loan to the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO) in Atlanta, GA, as a Senior Evaluator in the Maintenance and Work Management department. In this role, he performed detailed evaluations and assessments of US nuclear plant performance.

“We’re fortunate to have someone of Jim’s caliber to continue to lead our CHT team into the future. Our dedication to safety and cost and schedule certainly will be strengthened by Jim’s experience and commitment” said Greg Vesey, President of TN Americas.

McCann holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh and is a licensed Professional Engineer. He is married with three children and is passionate about aviation, enjoying exercising the privileges of his private pilot’s license whenever he can.

### **MORE ABOUT COLUMBIANA HI TECH**

Columbiana Hi Tech (CHT) is a subsidiary of AREVA TN Americas and is a leading manufacturer of a wide range of custom fabricated products and equipment for the nuclear industry where precision welding and machining is required. Specializing in nuclear material packaging, CHT is the largest manufacturer of front-end radioactive packaging and a proven fabricator of products for safe transport and storage of used nuclear fuel.

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